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Sir:

In response to the Communication mailed March 1, 2002, in which the Examiner requires Applicant to elect the claims of one of Groups I-IV, Applicant elects the claims of Group I.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration of the elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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